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For : DIGITAL CAMERA WITH MOVEABLE IMAGE PICKUP DEVICE

**SUBMISSION AND STATEMENT OF SUBSTANCE OF INTERVIEW**

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Sir :

Further to the Supplemental Amendment filed on May 19, 2006, Applicant hereby requests entry of the present paper.

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REMARKS

Further to numerous telephone conversations with Examiner Krista Zele, including conversations on June 11, 2007, June 27, 2007, July 23, 2007, September 27, 2007 and October 23, 2007, the Examiner requested submission of a new, executed reissue declaration that more clearly identifies an error in the issued patent. Further, the Examiner requested that, in view of Manual of Patent Examining Procedure (MPEP) 1490 § V D, Applicant submit a Terminal Disclaimer disclaiming the terminal part of the present application which would extend beyond the expiration date of any patent granted on co-pending U.S. Application No. 10/815,194 (Applicant notes that a Terminal Disclaimer has already been filed in Application No. 10/815,194).

In accordance with the Examiner's request and without agreeing to the propriety of the same, Applicants submit herewith a new, duly executed reissue declaration (via Form PTO/SB/51) that more clearly identifies an error in the issued patent, as well as a duly executed Terminal Disclaimer, solely to expedite the patent examination process.

Applicant is filing the enclosed Terminal Disclaimer merely to remove any issue as to whether the claims of the above-identified application and those of U.S. Patent Application No. 10/815,194 in any way conflict. However, neither Applicant nor the Assignee intends to make any representation as to whether the invention defined by any of the claims of either the present application or U.S. Patent Application No. 10/815,194 would have been obvious in view of the other or whether an obviousness-type double patenting rejection would be appropriate if the enclosed terminal disclaimer were not filed. Applicant emphasizes that the terminal disclaimer is being filed only to expedite the allowance of the pending claims.

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In view of the above, Applicant respectfully requests allowance of the present application. Such action is respectfully requested and is now believed to be appropriate.

The U.S. Patent and Trademark Office is hereby authorized to credit any overpayment or charge any additional fee to Deposit Account No. 19-0089.

Should the Examiner have any questions, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at the below-listed telephone number.

Respectfully submitted,  
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